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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. In February 1955, all sports schools of the Gesellschaft fuer Sport und Technik (Athletic and Technical Association) (GST) had been closed. In the mean[redacted] members of the association had been ordered by the [redacted]ment which was believed to have its [redacted] premilitary courses. In one case, a [redacted]ative [redacted] executive board of the GST ordered four members of the association to attend a special course in parachuting. [redacted] special courses for instructors in the fields of powered flying, aircraft mechanics etc would be started soon. These courses were scheduled to last four to eight weeks. Only persons who had previously undergone military training were to attend them. 1 25X1 25X1

2. From VPL officers it was learned that the following types of cargo gliders were at present in use with the Soviet Air Force:

type A-2, a wooden high-wing monoplane, towed by type Il-4 and SB-3 planes;
type A-7, a wooden high-wing monoplane, with a wing span of 18.85 meters and a length of 11.10 meters, towed by type Il-4 and SB-3 planes, with a load capacity of 8 to 10 men;

type A-11, a braced all-wood high-wing monoplane fitted with nose wheel and a loading hatch under the rear, with a wing span of 25.10 meters and a length of 12.62 meters, towed by Il-12s, designed for a load capacity of 24 men;

type SVKH-2, a braced all-wood high-wing monoplane, towed by Li-2s and Il-12s, designed for a load capacity of 20 men;

type SVKH-7, a braced all-wood high-wing monoplane designed for 10 men, with a wing span of 20.20 meters and a length of 15,20 meters, some of them fitted with two auxiliary engines giving the craft a cruising range of 720 km;

type KTZO, a cantilever type high-wing monoplane of composite construction with a wing span of 22 meters and a length of 14.95 meters, designed for a load capacity of 26 men. This craft which is towed by Il-12s, was used during Soviet maneuvers in 1953 and 1954;

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type A-14, a cantilever type high-wing monoplane with a wing span of 32 meters and a length of 24 meters, the wings consisting of wood, the fuselage of welded steel tubes; designed for a load capacity of 40 men. 2

1. [redacted] Comment. Information on a reorganization of the GST and an increase in its military training activities was transmitted previously. 25X1

2. [redacted] Comment. The model SB-3 cargo glider is probably a copy of a twin-engine plane built by the Germans in Czechoslovakia during AA II. The type A-11 is possibly identical with the type G-11 aircraft, while the SVKH-2 and the KTZO aircraft may be identical to the type 25 and 24 aircraft respectively. 25X1

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